

STATE OF TENNESSEE
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 83
SENATE BILL NO. 437

By Overbey

Substituted for: House Bill No. 748

By Montgomery, McCord

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 7, relative to theft of retail merchandise and certain tools used to facilitate such offense.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 7, is amended by adding the following as new section:

Section 39-14-703.

(a) It is an offense to possess any device, tool, machine, implement or other item with the intent to use it, or allow it to be used, to unlawfully deactivate, circumvent, interfere with, remove or otherwise render inoperative a monitor, sensor, camera or other security device used or designed to prevent or deter the theft of retail merchandise.

(b) A violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 9, 2009



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 27th day of April 2009



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR